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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

JOSEPH P. CUVIELLO and DENIZ  
BOLBOL, individually,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ROWELL RANCH RODEO, INC.;  
HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND  
PARK DISTRICT; HAYWARD AREA  
RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT  
PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGER/RANGER  
KEVIN HART; and DOES 1 through 2, in  
their individual and official capacities, jointly  
and severally.

Defendants.

Case No.: 3:23-CV-01652

**DECLARATION OF OSMAAN KHAN IN  
SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT ROWELL  
RANCH RODEO INC.'S OPPOSITION TO  
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL  
SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

**Date:** August 15, 2024  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Dept.:** 5, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
**Judge:** Hon. Vince Chhabria

Complaint Filed: April 6, 2023  
Trial: October 21, 2024

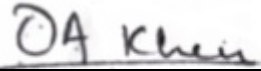
I, Osmaan Khan, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney in good standing and licensed to practice law in the State of California and before this Court. I am an Associate in the Walnut Creek office of the law firm of Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP, counsel for Defendant ROWELL RANCH RODEO INC. ("Defendant") in the above-captioned action. I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge. If called upon to testify as to the contents of this Declaration, I could and would do so truthfully and competently.

2. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** is true and correct copies of excerpts of Plaintiff

1 Joseph CuvIELlo's Deposition Transcript.

2 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the  
3 foregoing is true and correct. Executed this tenth day of June 27, 2024 at Oakland, California.

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5 Osmaan Khan

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# EXHIBIT 1

JOSEPH CUVIELLO  
FEBRUARY 20, 2024

JOB NO. 843103

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOSEPH P. CUVIELLO and )  
DENIZ BOLBOL, individually )  
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Plaintiffs, )  
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vs. ) Case No. 3:23-cv-01652-VC  
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ROWELL RANCH RODEO, INC., )  
HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND )  
PARK DISTRICT, HAYWARD AREA )  
RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT )  
PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGER KEVIN )  
HART, and DOES 1 and 2, in )  
their individually and )  
official capacities, jointly )  
and severally, )  
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Defendants. )  
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VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF JOSEPH CUVIELLO, taken  
at 180 Montgomery Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco,  
California on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 9:09 A.M.,  
before April Wood Brott, Certified Shorthand Reporter  
Number 13782, in and for the State of California.

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10:41:30 1 Q. Okay. And during that interaction with  
10:41:32 2 Kevin Hart, did you specifically ask Deputy Mayfield  
10:41:35 3 as to whether he was going to arrest you?

10:41:37 4 A. Yes.

10:41:38 5 Q. What was the purpose of that?

10:41:39 6 A. The purpose was to find out what would  
10:41:42 7 happen if we don't go to the free speech area  
10:41:45 8 because in my experience, Kevin Hart was telling us,  
10:41:48 9 "You need to go there, and if you don't go there,  
10:41:51 10 it's not going to be good," and so I wanted to know  
10:41:53 11 if we don't go there, what's going to happen. You  
10:41:56 12 know, so I asked Deputy Mayfield, "What are you  
10:41:59 13 going to do if we don't go there?"

10:42:02 14 Q. And why did you want to know?

10:42:04 15 A. Because he was the only one, I understood  
10:42:07 16 at that time, to be able to arrest us, and I wanted  
10:42:07 17 to know if we were going to be arrested or not. And  
10:42:08 18 I told him specifically, "I don't want to be  
10:42:10 19 arrested." So I said, "If you're going to arrest  
10:42:12 20 me, I'll leave," and that's it.

10:42:14 21 Q. How did you respond?

10:42:16 22 A. He said, "You could be arrested."

10:42:18 23 Q. Did he ever tell you that he was actually  
10:42:21 24 going to arrest you?

10:42:21 25 A. No.

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10:42:22 1 Q. And if he had indicated he was going to  
10:42:32 2 arrest you if you didn't leave, what would you have  
10:42:34 3 done?

10:42:34 4 A. I would have gone to the free speech area  
10:42:39 5 or maybe on the street, whatever I thought was the  
10:42:42 6 better location.

10:42:42 7 Q. And like the interaction you had either in  
10:42:45 8 2018 or 2019, did you make a recommendation that he  
10:42:48 9 call his watch commander?

10:42:49 10 A. Yes.

10:42:49 11 Q. Okay. Why did you do that?

10:42:50 12 A. It's my experience that the officers on the  
10:42:52 13 street aren't as respectful of our rights as I think  
10:42:56 14 they should be, and we've had them call their watch  
10:42:59 15 commanders, who seem to be more knowledgeable maybe.  
10:43:02 16 And, like, my experience in 2018 or 2019, you know,  
10:43:06 17 "Call the watch commander," and the watch commander  
10:43:09 18 said, "Everything's good," and so I said, "Call the  
10:43:15 19 watch commander because I think -- my experience,  
10:43:17 20 like I said, is he's going to know more than you, so  
10:43:20 21 please call the watch commander."

10:43:22 22 Q. And at some point did Deputy Mayfield get  
10:43:24 23 on the phone?

10:43:25 24 A. Yes.

10:43:25 25 Q. Okay. And he walked away from where you

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10:47:31 1 A. No.

10:47:32 2 Q. Other than talking to you and asking you, I  
10:47:34 3 think you said, not to block anybody and stay off  
10:47:37 4 the roadway, do you remember him saying anything  
10:47:40 5 else to you?

10:47:40 6 A. That's the gist of it.

10:47:42 7 Q. Okay. At that point did you believe you  
10:47:53 8 were going to be arrested?

10:47:54 9 A. No.

10:48:02 10 Q. And what's the next interaction that you  
10:48:05 11 recall with any of the deputies?

10:48:06 12 A. I don't recall if I had another interaction  
10:48:16 13 with any of them out front. I think some of the  
10:48:19 14 other activists did, but I don't recall having one,  
10:48:22 15 but I do recall having an interaction with Mayfield  
10:48:24 16 out back at the lower entrance.

10:48:34 17 Q. At some point the video conversation you  
10:48:36 18 had with a person by the name of Margo -- do you  
10:48:40 19 know Margo?

10:48:40 20 A. Yes, yes. Margo.

10:48:42 21 Q. Okay. Who is Margo?

10:48:43 22 A. She's an activist.

10:48:44 23 Q. And did she arrive later to that protest on  
10:48:47 24 that day?

10:48:47 25 A. Yes.

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

I, April Wood Brott, Certified Shorthand Reporter  
in and for the State of California, do hereby certify:

That the foregoing witness was by me duly sworn;  
that the deposition was then taken before me; that the  
testimony and proceedings were reported stenographically  
by me and later transcribed into typewriting under my  
direction; that the foregoing is a true record of the  
testimony and proceedings taken at that time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name  
on this date: February 27, 2024.



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April Wood Brott, CSR No. 13782



**PROOF OF SERVICE**

*Cuviello, et al. v. Rowell Ranch Rodeo Inc., et al.*  
USDC - Northern District of California, Case No. 3:23-CV-01652

I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. My business address is: Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP, 100 Pringle Avenue, Suite 300, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. On the date set forth below, I served the within documents:

**DECLARATION OF OSMAAN KHAN IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT ROWELL RANCH RODEO INC.'S OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

☐ by transmitting via facsimile the document(s) listed above to the fax number(s) set forth below on this date before 5:00 p.m.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Executed on June 27, 2024 at Sacramento, California.

  
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